

## Qualification details

<b>Title</b>	New Zealand Diploma in Forest Management (Level 6)		
<b>Version</b>	1	<b>Qualification type</b>	Diploma
<b>Level</b>	6	<b>Credits</b>	240
<b>NZSCED</b>	050501	Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies > Forestry Studies > Forestry Studies	
<b>Qualification developer</b>	Competenz		
<b>Next review</b>	December 2019		
<b>Approval date</b>	January 2015		
<b>Strategic purpose statement</b>	<p>The purpose of this qualification is to provide the forest industry with individuals who have the skills and knowledge required to carry out a technical or management role within the forest growing and harvesting sectors.</p> <p>The forest industry will benefit from having people who can apply a blend of management skills and forest knowledge to enable them to contribute to the medium and long-term planning and management of forest operations. They will have developed a broad range of skills including the use of a wide range of industry specific software, forest planning, harvesting, supply chain management, log product logistics, commercial and financial analysis and contract management.</p>		
<b>Outcome Statement</b>	<b>Graduate profile</b>	<p>Graduates of this qualification will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Research forestry supply chains and analyse the impact of forestry on the environment, communities, and the economy.</li> <li>- Develop health, safety and environmental management systems for forestry businesses.</li> <li>- Apply scientific principles and technologies used in forest management, growth and yield modeling and forest valuation.</li> <li>- Develop medium-term management plans and long-term business plans for forestry business initiatives.</li> <li>- Develop plans to manage establishment, silviculture harvest planning and harvesting operations, including the calculation of forest operations costs, and contract management requirements.</li> <li>- Research, analyse, and report on business improvement and production process improvement initiatives in a forest growing or harvesting context.</li> <li>- Apply leadership, team building and communication</li> </ul>	

		knowledge and skills to their role in a commercial forest.
	<b>Education pathway</b>	This qualification can lead to the Bachelor of Forestry Science.
	<b>Employment pathway</b>	<p>Graduates of this qualification will be able to work in a technical or a management role within a forest owner or management company. They may also choose to work in an operational role within a forest harvesting or silviculture company.</p> <p>Examples of roles include forestry supervisors, harvesting supervisors, production coordinators, forestry operations planners and harvesting operations planners.</p>

## Qualification specifications

<b>Qualification award</b>	<p>This qualification will be awarded by an organisation which has an approved programme, or industry training programme leading to the qualification.</p> <p>The certificate will display the logos of the NZQF and may display the name and/or logo of the awarding body.</p>
<b>Evidence requirements for assuring consistency</b>	<p>All tertiary education organisations (TEOs) either arranging training or delivering programmes that lead to the award of the qualification are required to participate in a consistency process scheduled by NZQA.</p> <p>This will involve reviewing evidence associated with graduate's achievement of outcomes, and agreeing acceptable thresholds for qualification outcome achievement and areas for improvement.</p> <p>To demonstrate how graduates are achieving the qualification graduate profile outcomes, TEOs are required to produce their own evidence in a high level report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Evidence will include the following:</li> <li>- Employer surveys to determine if graduates of the qualification meet graduate profile outcomes</li> <li>- Evidence of effective processes to ensure programmes continue to meet current industry needs</li> <li>- A range of workplace evidence demonstrating that graduates meet the graduate profile outcomes</li> <li>- Any other relevant evidence as appropriate.</li> </ul> <p>Further information about the managing consistency process can be found on the NZQA website.</p>
<b>Credit transfer and recognition of prior learning arrangements</b>	<p>Organisations that offer programmes towards the qualification are expected to have Recognition of Current Competence (RCC) or Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) assessment processes in place. Credit transfer will be automatic where assessment standards are used for assessment within programmes of study or training leading</p>

	to this qualification.
<b>Minimum standard of achievement and standards for grade endorsements</b>	Achievement of all outcomes. There are no grade endorsements for this qualification.
<b>Entry requirements (including prerequisites to meet regulatory body or legislative requirements)</b>	None.

## Qualification conditions

### Overarching conditions relating to the qualification

<b>Conditions for programme structure</b>	None.
<b>Conditions for programme context</b>	None.
<b>Other conditions</b>	None.

### Specific conditions relating to the Graduate profile

Qualification outcomes		Conditions	Mandatory or Optional
1	Research forestry supply chains and analyse the impact of forestry on the environment, communities, and the economy Credits 35		
2	Develop health, safety and environmental management systems for forestry businesses. Credits 30		
3	Apply scientific principles and technologies used in forest management, growth and yield modeling and forest valuation Credits 55		
4	Develop medium-term management plans and long-term business plans for forestry business initiatives Credits 20		
5	Develop plans to manage establishment, silviculture harvest planning and harvesting operations, including the calculation of forest operations costs, and contract management		

	requirements Credits 55		
6	Research, analyse, and report on business improvement and production process improvement initiatives in a forest growing or harvesting context Credits 30		
7	Apply leadership, team building and communication knowledge and skills to their role in a commercial forest context Credits 15		

### Transition information

<b>Replacement information</b>	This qualification replaced the National Diploma in Forestry (Operations Management) (Level 5) [Ref: 1532].
<p>People currently working towards Ref: 1532 may complete the qualification by 31 December 2018 or transfer their results to the replacement New Zealand qualification.</p> <p>The last date for enrolments into this expiring qualification is 31 December 2016.</p> <p>It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Competenz at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>Competenz, PO Box 9005, Newmarket, Auckland 1149.</p>	

### Republication information

Version 1 of this qualification was republished in October 2015 to extend the last date of enrolment into programmes leading to the replaced National Diploma in Forestry (Operations Management) (Level 5) [Ref: 1532] from 31 December 2015 to 31 December 2016 and to extend the last date for assessment from 31 December 2017 to 31 December 2018.
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